

Townsend Wins Vote System Wins Praise

Backing of Hahn



THANKS . . . Supervisor Kenneth Hahn (left) thanks Assemblyman L. E. (Larry) Townsend for his aid in securing emergency telephones for Los Angeles Freeways and for his efforts on behalf of the Southern California Regional Occupational Center. Hahn, a 16-year veteran of the Board of Supervisors, formally endorsed Townsend in his effort to win re-election to his 67th Assembly District seat.

Assemblyman L. E. (Larry) Townsend today won the backing of Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, a 16-year veteran of the Board of Supervisors, in his bid for re-election to his 67th Assembly District post.

Hahn, who just last June won an overwhelming victory in his own bid for re-election, cited Townsend's record in the Assembly and his personal liking for the Assemblyman as prime factors in his endorsement.

"Larry's keen grasp of the problems of the cities in his district and his compassionate desire to broaden the educational facilities available to students and adults in the 67th District make it imperative that the voters return him to office on Nov. 5," Hahn said.

Hahn pointed to the Southern California Regional Occupational Center in Torrance as an example of Townsend's efforts on behalf of education in his district.

The center, a joint venture of six school districts to expand vocational opportunities for young people and adults, was made possible through legislation introduced and carried through the legislature by Townsend.

Hahn also praised Townsend for introducing legislation which provides state funds for emergency telephone facilities on the county's freeways. The pilot

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system of telephones on the freeways was initiated in 1965 by Supervisor Hahn.

THE TOWNSEND bill, already signed by the governor, picks up the cost to "support and direct a program designed to establish an emergency phone system along freeway routes having the greatest need for this service."

Hahn, noting most of Townsend's District is located in his own supervisory district, commended the assemblyman for "his willingness to cooperate with county and city governments toward solution of the problems of all our mutual constituents."

Townsend, a Democrat, was first elected to his assembly post in 1966.

Another "vote of confidence" for the county's automated voting system has been registered by a blue-ribbon citizens' committee, according to Supervisor Burton W. Chace.

The Election Devices Committee expressed confidence in the IBM Votomatic system in a report to the Board of Supervisors yesterday.

The committee originally was formed by supervisors to advise on new methods of automating the county's vote-tally system, Chace said. The group made a special study of the IBM system following last June's primary.

"IN GENERAL, we agree that most of the election problems in the June Primary did not relate directly to the new voting system," said John Lawson, committee chairman. The primary marked the first time the

system was used county-wide.

"It is the consensus of committee members that the automated system in the primary was a success, since the voters indicated overwhelming approval of it," Lawson said.

"One change we have suggested is to be sure to have voters inspect their ballots for cleanly punched cards after voting," Lawson said.

"This would be similar to the old paper ballot system when voters were asked to make sure they clearly stamped within appropriate squares."

PROBLEMS encountered in the June test of the system have been attacked so they will not recur next month, according to Chace. "Every effort has been made to eliminate the problem areas of the automatic

vote-tally system," Chace said.

"I concur with the Committee that the faults encountered in June were not due to the use of the IBM Votomatic but to changes in the system of collecting and feeding ballots into the computer."

The fact that many written votes were lodged — a circumstance not expected to be in too much evidence in November — also slowed the final vote tally, Chace said.

"HOWEVER, it must be remembered that the system produced many notable suc-

cesses," Chace added. "There were problems, but changes always require shakedown periods."

"The system saved taxpayers \$113,000 in the cost of ballot counting, was given a 97 per cent vote of approval by voters, and provided absolute accuracy," Chace said.

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Spartan Freshman Elect New Officers

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Bradley Glassman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Glassman,

5410 Calle de Ricardo, was elected vice president; Catherine Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Nelson, 5108 Pacific Coast Highway, secretary; Jeanne Tate, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Tate, 3910 West 234th St., treasurer; Denise Grimes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Grimes, 4319 Newton Street, Girls' League representative; and Dave Turkheimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Turkheimer, 4817 Paseo de las Tortugas, Boys' League representative.

Other candidates for the Sept. 26 elections for president were Joan Braden, Don Meade and Glen Price. Eligible candidates for the other offices included Kristine Boyd, Mike Kennedy, Terri Sharp, Paula Tai, Lynda Yokubaitis, Karen McFarren, Kathie Mezmarich, Jean Novicki, Helen Boimilla, Elizabeth Brenner, Jeannine Byer, Linda Capps and Janet Smith.

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Savings Co. To Promote New Branch

Michael T. Quaranta, executive vice president of Cabrillo Savings and Loan, Torrance, has announced the appointment of Bryan Hardwick Associates, of Palos Verdes Estates, as the advertising agency for Cabrillo.

"We are entering upon an expansion program," Quaranta stated, "and have filed application for a branch in Huntington Beach. The Hardwick agency will begin immediately with us a marketing plan to merchandise our expansion." New campaign launching is set for Jan. 1.

Allan Haverson at the agency will be account supervisor on Cabrillo.

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